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## DOGGIE BIOLOGICAL CLOCK

All alone except for her loyal mutt Lupin, 18-year-old Segeri moves from the countryside to the big city to find a job and a new life. In her first job at a pet store, she meets an assortment of quirky dogs and even stranger owners. What she lacks in retail experience, she makes up for through her natural rapport with all things wagging and floppy!



Kanlan Bear Dog

Teppi has been waiting for quite some time to find a mate for his precious black Labrador, Noa. It turns out that a dog breeder that Teppi works with has found the perfect candidate! Now Segeri's a little jealous and wants her Lupin to have some pups of his own! Then a mysterious character shows up. Could he be an ominous figure from her past?

**SIT! STAY! READ THIS MANGA!**

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Great Dane & Newfoundland



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## Story thus far

Tappan is the manager of the recently opened pet shop, Whisker. He intended to breed his black Labrador, Max, with a champion dog, but instead Max was "taken advantage of" by an unknown and without-rails dog!

The unknown dog's owner was Sugar Myranda and her dog was a pure-bred Lupo. Sugar is now working at Whisker to make up for her dog's actions.

Sugar's antihuman is more than a little unique. She has eaten dog food (and used it as toilet) caught dog poop with her bare hands, and caused dogs to have "happy pee" in her presence. Tappan is starting to realize that Sugar is indeed a very special gal.

The first generation of Whisker puppies had their first birthdays and graduated from the puppy-training class! By now they should have mastered basic behavior techniques. To test them, Sugar and her friends plan a trip to a cottage that welcomes pets. Though Sugar is initially worried that Tappan might not approve of her missing work, he is all for the idea. So Sugar and Whisker regulars Chiara, Alisa, and Kim head with their dogs to the Windy Dog Pension. Its wilderness setting surpasses everyone's expectations. Sugar and her friends are on about nine when four enormous dogs suddenly appear blocking their path. Their sheer size is intimidating, but are they as scary as they look?



# CHARACTERS

## Lupin

● Fluffy long-eared



## Suguri Miyauchi

She seems to possess an almost supernatural connection with dogs. When she approaches them they often urinate with great excitement! She is crazy for dogs and even catch their droppings with her bare hands. She is currently a trainee at the Wholles Pet Shop.

## Noa

● Labrador retriever



## Teppel Iida

Manager of the recently opened pet shop Wholles. He is aware of Suguri's special ability and has hired her to work in his shop.

## Memoko Takeuchi

The Wholles Pet Shop located inside a pet groomer. At first she had many problems and rarely smiled. But after meeting Suguri she's changed, and the two are now best friends.



## Mel

● Big poodle



## Kentaro Osada

Suguri's buddy from their high school days. He's on the staff at Wholles' second store.



## Show Kaneko

He is the manager of the main Wholles store and is Teppel's boss. He is very passionate about the business and makes TV appearances from time to time.

**Melon**

● Chihuahua



**Chizuru Sawamura**

*Adopted a Chihuahua, Melon, after her longtime pet golden retriever. Early started her that Melon was ill. She works at a hospital bar to repay Melon's medical fees.*

**Kanako Mori**

*Teaches piano on the second floor of the same building as Waffles. She was depressed over the loss of her beloved dog, Garry, but meeting her new dog brought a smile to her face.*



**Sonata**

● Poodle  
dachshund

**Zidane**

● French bulldog



**Hiroshi Akiba**

*Popular artist turned dog stroke. His dream is to publish a photo collection of his dog, Zidane. He is a government employee.*

**Mari Yamashita**

*A model whose nickname is Yamarin. She decided to keep an uncool papillon, Lucky, which was her center in a brand commercial.*



**Lucky**

● Papillon

**Chanta**

● Shiba



**Kim Hyeon-Jun**

*An international student who had a phobia of dogs. He has been working hard to get over it in order to get close to Suport whom he has a crush on.*



**NUBAKA**







LEO IS A  
QUIET AND  
FRIENDLY  
LEON-  
BERGER



LALA,  
THE GREAT  
PYRENEES,  
IS GENTLE  
AND  
CHEERFUL  
BUT  
FEARLESS



LOLO,  
THE NEW-  
FOUND-  
LAND, IS  
NORMALLY  
CALM BUT  
LOVES TO  
PLAY IN  
THE  
WATER



LUCKY IS  
THE MOST  
AFFECTIONATE  
OF THE FOUR  
SISTERS  
SHE'S A  
GREAT DANE



IT'S  
COMPLETELY  
THE  
OPPOSITE  
OF THE WALK-  
AFTER-CLIM  
TYPE  
BABYING

AND  
FINALLY, I'M  
HOLDING  
THE DADDY  
TO THESE  
GIRLS

ON BEHALF  
OF MY  
DAUGHTERS,  
WELCOME  
TO MY  
HOLLYWOOD







HE  
REALLY  
HATES  
TO  
MOVE!

HEY!  
THAT'S A  
SPUNKY  
CHICKEN-  
HUN!



HE FOUND  
THIS HUGE  
DOG BUN,  
SO OUT  
OUT THERE  
AND BURN!

LUCKY! HOW  
LONG ARE  
YOU GOING  
TO LIE ON  
YOUR  
BACK?



WOW!  
GREAT  
DANCE  
ARE SO  
BIG!

IT'S  
HARD TO  
BELIEVE  
THEY'RE  
DOING!



WELL, I  
GUESS I  
CAN'T  
REALLY  
BLAME  
YOU!



SHE









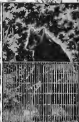














WHEW

Puff



PSSSH



IS IT GONE?

LOOKS LIKE IT



LAST YEAR WE ATTACHED A TRANSMITTER TO THE BEAR SO WE COULD SEE WHERE SHE WAS HEADED. I'M GLAD WE GOT HERE IN TIME

WE'RE FROM THE BEAR PROTECTION ORGANISATION IN THE AREA. WE WERE JUST ON A PATROL WITH THE BEAR DOGS.



SORRY ABOUT THAT EVERYONE. THE BEAR HAS BEEN CHASED BACK.

ARE YOU SURE?

YES



IT WAS PROBABLY DRAWN TO THE NEW COTTAGE BY THE SMELL OF FOOD AND GARBAGE.

THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT BEAR HAD BEEN AROUND HERE THOUGH.





THE  
LITTLE  
CUB!!  
IT'S SO  
CUTE!!



HIS LEG  
GOT  
CAUGHT IN  
A GUFTEL

THAT  
BEAR WAS  
WANDERING  
AROUND  
HERE WITH  
HIS CUB



WHAT ARE  
YOU GOING  
TO DO WITH  
THE CUB?

CUBS ARE  
CUTE, BUT  
THEY GET  
BIG VERY  
QUICKLY.



WE'RE  
GOING TO  
HAVE THESE  
BEAR DOGS  
BARK AT IT

WHY?  
THAT'S SO  
CRUEL!



WE'LL  
HAVE A  
LIT  
LOOK AT  
IT FIRST  
THOUGH

WE HAVE TO  
PUNISH HIM  
A BIT THEN  
RETURN HIM  
TO THE  
WOODS

PUNISH  
P





THE WORST  
THING TO DO  
WOULD BE TO  
GIVE IT A  
TASTE FOR  
HUMAN  
FOOD AND  
GARBAGE.

IT'S  
IMPORTANT  
TO TEACH  
THEM THESE  
LESSONS  
WHILE  
THEY'RE  
STILL CUBS.

IT'S BETTER  
TO TEACH  
THEM THAT  
THEY  
SHOULDN'T  
COME INTO  
HUMAN  
TERRITORY.



BUT...

ALTHOUGH  
THERE ARE  
VARIABLE  
OPINIONS  
SUR-  
ROUNDING  
THIS  
MATTER.

PUNISHMENT  
MAY SOUND  
CRUEL, BUT IT'S  
NECESSARY  
FOR HUMANS  
AND BEARS TO  
COEXIST.



UNLIKE  
BETWEEN  
DOGS AND  
HUMANS...

YOU CAN'T  
HAVE A  
BEAR AS A  
PET. IT IS  
VERY HARD  
TO BUILD  
TRUST.

CAN'T A  
BEAR BE A  
PET TOO?  
IF YOU  
TRAINED IT  
WHEN IT  
WAS STILL  
YOUNG?





## CHAPTER 143: A PRO WATER RESCUER, BUT...

























WE CAN'T  
GET THIS  
IN THE  
CITY.

AH! THE  
GREEN IN  
THE MOUNT-  
AINS IS  
NICE, BUT  
THE LAKE IS  
ALSO  
BEAUTIFUL!



THREE  
!

OHAY,  
WOLFO-  
CHAN! I  
KNOW YOU  
CAN'T WAIT  
TO GO PLAY  
IN THE  
WATER.



THEY PULL  
BOATS,  
GATHER  
FLOATING  
BALLS,  
AND SO  
ON.

IN THE SUMMER,  
THEY HAVE A  
WATER-TRAINING  
CONTESTION  
HERE CALLED  
WATER TRIAL.



PART

PART  
OF



DON'T FALL, CHIDURU-CHAN.

OH! THIS FEELS SO GOOD.



SPLASH

YEAH...  
AH...  
HUNNY

HAH

FUM

WE CAN'T  
GET IN THE  
WATER, BUT  
IT'S REALLY  
FUN JUST  
FLOATING  
ON IT.



BE  
CASE-  
FULL!

WOW!  
ALL  
ABOARD !!

HAHA...  
DON'T  
WORRY.  
I'LL BE  
OKAY!



TA ————— DA

HAHAHA



オタマリーナ  
OTA MARINA







BE  
QUIET,  
AKIBA!

JUST  
BECAUSE  
HER BREED  
IS A WATER  
RESCUE  
DOG...

...DOESN'T MEAN  
SHE'D BE ABLE  
TO ACTUALLY  
RESCUE SOMEONE  
IF SHE HADN'T  
BEEN TRAINED

YOU SEEM  
TO BE  
REALLY  
PROUD OF  
YOUR DOG,  
BUT...



EVEN IF I  
FELL, MY  
LOLO-CHAN  
WOULD  
COME AND  
RESCUE ME!

I DON'T  
KNOW  
ABOUT  
THAT.



WUP?

WHELP  
NO, I  
WASNT  
SAYING  
THAT...

FINE!



PLMP



ARE YOU  
SAYING  
THAT  
MY LOLO-  
CHAN IS A  
USELESS  
DOG?



I'LL SHOW  
YOU  
WATCH  
THIS!!

IF YOU DON'T  
BELIEVE ME,  
WHY DON'T I  
JUST SHOW  
YOU RIGHT A  
WONDERFUL  
NEWFOUND-  
LANDER  
SAB IS.



ONE TWO THREE  
FOUR

THE  
WATER  
IS WAY  
TOO  
COLD

PU-PU-PU-  
YAMA-SAN,  
CALM  
DOWN! YOU  
REALLY  
DON'T HAVE  
TO DO THIS!



WH-  
WHAT  
CAN I  
DO?

DO  
SOME-  
THING.  
AREN'T  
WE  
SERIOUS?



KICK

HA!



NO, I  
MUST!  
FOR  
LOLO-  
CHAN'S  
HONOR!





**CHAPTER 144:**  
**WHEN**  
**I WAS**  
**YOUNG**





LOLO-  
CHAN!  
HELP  
ME!!



I GUESS  
LOLO-  
CHAN  
CAN'T  
SAVE HIM  
AFTER  
ALL.

WAVE,  
LOLO-  
CHAN  
HE...

オオマリーナ  
Oomarina

YAN

K



WE  
HAVE  
TO GO  
HELP  
HIM!

IT'S TOO  
DANGEROUS  
FOR HIM TO  
CONTINUE  
LIKE THAT

オオ  
Oo



WOW  
WOW



WOW



LOLO  
CAN'T  
GET TO  
ME!

OH  
NOOOO!!  
I FORGOT  
TO UNLEASH  
HER  
LEASH!



HUHP?



MAYBE I  
SHOULD  
GIVE UP.











SORRY FOR  
GETTING  
YOU AND  
EVERYONE!

LET'S  
JUST GET  
BACK TO  
SHORE.

HAHAHA!!

SH  
KA

SH  
KA



YEAH,  
SORRY  
ABOUT  
THAT.

I NEVER  
THOUGHT  
YOU'D  
ALMOST  
DROWN.  
YOU  
REALLY  
WOKED  
ME.

I GUESS IT  
WAS A BIT  
TOO COLD  
FOR  
SWIMMING  
AFTER ALL.

SORRY  
FOR  
WORRY-  
ING YOU  
GUYS.



BUT  
THEN I  
REMEM-  
BERED.

I WAS JUST  
PRETENDING  
THAT I WAS  
DROWNING.





YOU  
DIDN'T  
HAVE TO  
GO OUT  
OF YOUR  
WAY TO  
PROVE IT



...TO SEE  
WHETHER  
THEY ARE  
IN REAL  
DANGER  
OR NOT.

NEWFOUND-  
LANDERS  
HAVE A  
TENDENCY TO  
WAIT BEFORE  
SAVING  
ANYONE IN  
THE WATER.



UM... I'M  
SORRY  
ABOUT  
BEFORE.



I JUST  
WANTED  
YOU TO  
UNDER-  
STAND.

WELL, I'M A  
LITTLE LATE  
FOR THAT NOW.



I MIGHT  
THINK IT WAS  
POSSIBLE  
FOR NEW-  
FOUND-  
LAND TO  
RESCUE  
SOMEONE IN  
THE WATER.

I  
APOLOGIZED  
FOR MY  
MISHEARS.



BEFORE I HAD THESE GIRLS, I USED TO THINK DOGS COULDN'T DO ANYTHING UNTIL YOU TRAINED THEM TO.



BUT THANKS FOR YOUR SINCERE APOLOGY.



YOU REMIND ME OF WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE.

IS REALLY?



I WAS TAKEN BY YOUR HONESTY.

MANY YOUNG'S MEN DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO APOLOGIZE THESE DAYS.





HEY, NO FAIR!



I WORK  
IN A PET  
SHOP IN  
TOKYO!

PLEASE  
COME BY  
SOMETIME  
WITH YOUR  
DAUGHTERS.



CHANGING  
CHANG' THIS  
IS NOT THE  
PLACE TO  
PROMOTE  
YOURSELF!



PLEASE  
COME BY  
FOR A  
DRINK  
SOMETIME!

I WORK AT  
A HOSTESS  
CLUB IN  
ROPPONGI.







I WONDER IF  
FUKUYAMA-  
SAN IS  
MARRIED.



HE REALLY  
BELIEVES  
IN HIS  
DOGS...



UHHH...

...AND  
HE SLEEPS  
FORGAVE AREA  
EVEN AFTER HE  
WAS SO RUDE  
TO HIM.



DON'T  
YOU  
THINK  
HE'S  
KINDA  
COOL IN  
A LOT OF  
WAYS?

WE DIDN'T  
ASK HIM, I  
WONDER.





CAROLINA:  
"WELL, I'LL DRIVE THE  
BEST OF  
THE WAY."

SMALL  
ONE GO  
DOWN?"



ARE YOU  
SWEETHEART?  
YOU'RE  
SUCH A  
CUTE LITTLE  
KID-HEAR!



THEY'RE SO  
CUTE, IF  
FEELS LIKE  
IT'S JUST  
THE TWO OF  
US IN HERE,  
HURRY?



I GUESS  
THEY'RE  
TWO  
FROM ALL  
THAT BACK-  
SINGING

OH  
WELL  
THE TWO  
BACK-  
THREE  
ARE FAST  
ASLEEP!





HELLO! I'M BACK



HUNT?

HE SAID HE  
WAS GOING  
TO THE  
OWNER'S  
KENNEL.  
NAKA-TANI  
HEARTLAND

WITH  
NON-  
CHAN.

HE  
DON'T  
TELL  
YOU!



NAKA-  
TANI  
HEART-  
LAND!

HE  
BROUGHT  
NON-  
CHAN  
TO...



COULD  
THAT  
MEAN  
...P!!

**CHAPTER 145: DON'T TELL SUGURI**



TWO DAYS BEFORE  
SUGURI  
RETURNED  
FROM HER  
TRIP.

WIFE OF THE COUNTRY COUNCILMAN AND DAUGHTER WERE MURDERED! THERE WERE NO CLUES AT THE SCENE! THE POLICE HAVE GIVEN UP! IT SEEMS THAT THE MURDERER IS STILL OUT TO GET A MAN!

IT LOOKS LIKE BLACKIE JUSTIFIED HIS REVENGE.

TWOY-SHANE

FINALLY! I  
CAN GO  
AHEAD  
WITH MY  
PLAN!



YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!

WHEN SLIGHT-CHANG'S DONE, THE STORE FEELS SO SPACIOUS





YAMAMOTO  
... I  
MEAN ...

YAMAMOTO  
SHITA!  
SAN.



SHE  
COMES BY  
THE STORE  
WHENEVER  
SHE HAS  
FREE TIME  
IN HER  
EXTREMELY  
BUSY  
SCHEDULE.

IT SEEMS HE  
DID YOU  
SUCCEEDLY  
OBTAIN SOME  
FREE TIME  
TO COME  
SEE US?

NOT  
LONG  
TIME NO  
SEE

HAHA  
YAMAMOTO, A  
CHARISMATIC  
MODEL.

HEHEHE  
THAT'S  
EXACTLY  
RIGHT!

I CAN'T  
STAY  
LONG  
THOUGH





HEHE



"MORE THAN  
FRIENDS,  
NOT QUITE  
LOVERS"



THAT WAS  
SUGUSU'S  
IDEA TOO.

OH, I'M  
GLAD YOU  
LIKE IT.  
IT'S A BIT  
EMBAR-  
RASSING  
FOR ME.

I LOVE  
THAT  
CATCH-  
PHRASE!



WELL...

YOU ALWAYS  
SEEM HAPPY  
WHEN YOU'RE  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
SUGUSU-  
CHAN.



YEAH,  
SUGUSU-  
CHAN HAS  
TALENT.

YEAH,  
SHE  
COMES  
UP WITH  
REALLY  
GOOD  
IDEAS  
ONCE IN  
A WHILE.



NO  
CHANGE

I THOUGHT  
I SAW  
SOMEONE  
WITH A  
TREMB-  
LING  
DOUB  
ALISA!

YOU  
LOOK  
SHAKEN-  
UP! IS  
SPECIAL



AM!  
YAKU-  
SEN!

HUMP  
SHALLY!



KAMASHITA-  
SAN AND  
I LIVE IN  
COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT  
WORLDS.



...I GUESS  
YOU'RE ON  
YOUR WAY  
TO CELEBRITY  
STATUS  
TOO. EH,  
TERRE-  
CHAN?

WELL, WITH  
A CELEBRITY  
LIKE THIS  
COMING  
INTO OUR  
STORE...

DON'T  
BE  
STUPID!

YAP YAP



THAT'S  
NOT  
TRUE.

I'M REALLY  
STARTING  
TO THINK  
THESE  
DAYS...

I'M JUST A  
DOLLAR  
GIRL, TOO.

...THAT AS  
LONG AS I  
CONTINUE  
THIS  
WORK...



AH...  
OH  
CRAY.

TAMARIN!  
WE HAVE  
TO GET  
GOING!  
WE'RE  
GOING TO  
BE LATE!

WELL...

WELL...

WELL...

WELL...

WELL...

WELL...

"AS LONG  
AS I  
CONTINUE  
THIS  
WORK..."?

WHAT  
WAS  
SHE  
GOING  
TO SAY?"





SO ABOUT NOA...

...IT'S BEEN  
NINE DAYS  
SINCE SHE  
BEGAN  
BLEEDING

I WAS  
HOPING  
I COULD  
REPAIR  
HER BY  
TOMORROW.



YES, THE  
WOUND IS  
DOING  
FINE...

HELLO.  
IT'S  
NOA.



I'LL  
SEE  
YOU  
THEN.

YES...



IT'S  
TIME FOR  
NOA TO  
BECOME  
A MOM.



YEAH,  
WE'LL BE  
CLOSED  
TOMOR-  
ROW, BUT I  
NEED YOU  
TO TAKE  
CARE OF  
THE DOGS.

A BLUNT  
MERE  
TRUTH?

WHY SO  
SUDDEN?



MY "LITTLE  
GIRL," WHOM I  
RAISED SO  
CAREFULLY,  
BECOMING A  
MOTHER.

I WAS ON  
MY WAY TO  
GRABBING  
HOLD  
OF THE  
GREATEST  
JOY A  
Proud  
OWNER  
COULD EVER  
WISH FOR

I'M  
HAVING A  
FLASH-  
BACK OF  
WHAT  
HAPPENED  
LAST  
YEAR.

FLASHBACK

THIS  
MOMENT  
STATION  
AGAIN...

AH...







THIS IS  
WHERE THAT  
DREAM WAS  
INTERRUPTED  
BY SUGURI  
AND LUMI.



BUT I AM  
NEVER  
LETTING  
HER GET  
IN THE  
WAY  
AGAIN!!

...SO I  
GUESS IT  
WOULDN'T  
BE FAIR TO  
BLAME  
THEM  
ENTIRELY

EVEN  
THOUGH IT  
WAS ONLY  
FOR A  
SECOND,  
IT'S SO  
PAINTY THAT  
SHE WAS  
OUT OF MY  
SIGHT...



...THE BEST  
WAY TO GO  
IS WITHOUT  
TELLING  
HER ANY  
THING!

I FEEL  
BAD FOR  
SUGURI,  
BUT...

VROOM



PLUS,  
NOW  
SHE'S  
SAYING  
SHE  
WANTS  
NOA AND  
LUMI'S  
PUPPES.

WELL,  
SUGURI  
THINKS  
NOA.







FINALLY,  
I'M ABLE  
TO TAKE  
A STEP  
FORWARD

THE  
NEXT  
STEP  
TOWARD  
MY  
DREAM...

DO US  
PROUD

1970  
1970



I'M  
BACK.







I KNEW  
THAT  
NOA'S  
REASON  
WAS  
COMING.

BUT YOU  
DIDN'T  
SAY  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT IT

WHAT?  
IT?



WHAT?

WHY DID  
YOU TAKE  
NOA-  
CHAN  
WITHOUT  
TELLING  
ME?



PLUS, YOU  
KEPT ME  
FROM DOING  
THIS BEFORE.

IF I TOLD YOU  
YOU'D START  
SAYING  
THINGS  
ABOUT NOA  
AND LUFFY'S  
PUPPETS, AND  
IT'S TOO MUCH  
TO DEAL  
WITH.



WE'RE  
NOT  
STRANGERS  
YET.



NOA IS  
MY DOG.

I DON'T  
HAVE TO  
EXPLAIN  
EVERYTHING  
TO YOU.



THAT'S  
WHY.







# CHAPTER 146: I WANT BABIES!





**A** CHECK OUT THE CAR.  
IT SEEMS THIS IS  
THE KIND OF LOOSE  
INSTRUCTIONS  
WYATT GENSE  
GIVEN SALMO

# OH INVESTIGATOR RICERBALL'S ADVENTURE!

## FUN DRAFTS AND STORYBOARDS PART 1

HEY EVERYBODY!  
INVESTIGATOR RICERBALL HERE!  
THIS TIME I'M INTRODUCING  
YOU TO SOME SECRET DRAFTS,  
STORYBOARDS AND SCREENS  
BY FANTASY DRAFTS! IF YOU CAN  
TELL WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE  
SCENE IT IS FROM THE DRAFTING. YOU  
ARE AN INSIDER MANAGER!

SO GET READY! HERE'S LUNA!



**B** SO THAT'S WHAT  
THE MOVIE PORTER  
ORIGINALLY  
LOOKED LIKE.  
(LAUGH)



**C** LUNA LOOKS SAD,  
BUT NEXT TO HIM IS  
A "FLYING PIG"



**D** LOOK WHAT WE FOUND THAT GOT  
BLURRY BEHIND THE BALLOON.

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WOOFLE'S  
OWNER'S  
KENNEL

NAKATANI  
HEARTLAND

*Shinichi*

IT'S  
FINALLY  
HERE.

NOA'S  
MATING  
DAY!





IT'S BEEN  
12 DAYS  
SINCE  
NOAH  
STARTED  
BLEEDING.

THEY SAY  
MATING  
WITHIN TWO  
TO THREE  
DAYS FROM  
NOW WOULD  
GIVE THEM  
THE BEST  
CHANCE TO  
CONCEIVE.



PANT

PANT



HEY,  
MINORU-  
KUN! NICE  
TO SEE  
YOU

NOT  
MUCH  
OF A  
DREAMER,  
ARE  
WE?



THERE!  
YOU'RE  
ALL  
CLEAN  
NOW.

ARE YOU  
READY TO  
GO TO  
YOUR  
PRINCE,  
NOAH?



YEA LET'S DO THAT

LET'S JUST LEAVE IT UP TO NATURE FOR NOW. SMALL DOGS



ARE YOUR OWNERS HERE?

SORRY FOR THE WAIT



RUFF

RUFF



RUFF



...YOU CAN'T HELP BUT BE A LITTLE MISCHIEVOUS

IT'S NOT MY FIRST TIME GETTING DOGGY DATE. BUT WHEN IT'S YOUR OWN...

HAHAHA. WELL, IT'S NOW'S FIRST TIME



WHEW. ANY MINUTE NOW...

WELL, THAT HAS COME TO THE SIDE



NOA  
HAS  
ACCEPTED  
JOHN.



WOW.  
JOHN  
IS A  
PRO.  
HEH~?



IT  
DORANT  
LOOK LIKE  
WE'LL NEED  
TO HOLD  
NOA DOWN  
AT ALL.

NICE AS  
FAR AS I  
CAN TELL.  
IT'S GOING  
GREAT.



THEY STAY  
THIS WAY  
FROM 5 TO  
30 MINUTES.  
CONSUM-  
MATING THE  
EXCHANGE.

NOA AND  
JOHN STOOD  
STILL WITH  
THEIR  
REAR ENDS  
TOUCHING  
FOR A WHILE.



GOOD  
WORK,  
MOA.

PANT  
PANT



I'LL COME  
AGAIN FOR  
THE SECOND  
TIME.

HOLD ON,  
WHAT  
ABOUT  
THE  
SPOON?

I DON'T  
BLAME YOU  
FOR WANT-  
ING TO BE  
THOROUGH  
ABOUT THIS.  
BUT...



TO BE  
SURE,  
WE'LL DO IT  
AGAIN IN  
TWO DAYS.

I CAN'T  
WAIT  
UNTIL  
TWO  
MONTHS  
LATER!

I'M GLAD  
JOHN AND  
MOA ARE  
COMBATIBLE.



THIRTY  
DAYS  
AFTER  
NOA'S  
MATING



YES!

REALLY?  
PI!



YES.  
YES.

THERE'S  
NO DOUBT  
ABOUT IT.  
CONGRAT-  
ULATIONS!





ARE  
YOU  
HAPPY,  
NOW?



CAN  
YOU  
SEE  
HOW  
IT  
THESE  
ARE  
YOUR  
PUPPES



WHAAT?  
YOU'RE  
MARRIED  
THE  
WELLING  
BOY IN THE  
ADVERT-  
MENT?

I NEED TO  
PREPARE A  
WELLING  
BOY.  
REWARD, GO...

YOU'RE  
GOING TO  
HAVE TO  
SLEEP ON  
THE ROOF  
FOR A  
WHILE.  
THANKS



WOW!  
CONGRAT-  
ULATIONS.

WHEN  
IS SHE  
DUE?



IN  
ABOUT A  
MONTH  
OR SO.





I'M  
HAPPY.

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
NOA-CHAN  
IS HAVING  
BABES...



DON'T  
TELL ME  
YOU'RE  
STILL  
THINKING  
ABOUT  
LUPIN  
FLEETED

WHY  
ARE  
YOU  
CRYING  
?



IT'S  
JUST  
THAT  
TEPPEN-  
SAN...

TEPPEN,  
GIVE  
ME  
A  
HUG  
YOU  
WILL  
BE  
HAPPY

WELL  
IT  
WASN'T  
THAT  
BAD...



IT FEELS  
LIKE...  
FINALLY...  
THE SUN  
LIGHT AND  
I COME-  
TED...

...IS  
GOING  
AWAY.



AND I'VE  
NEVER  
SEEN  
YOU THIS  
HAPPY  
BEFORE.

I'VE BEEN  
AROUND  
YOU FOR  
MORE  
THAN A  
YEAR  
NOW.

IT'S LIKE  
A FUNNY  
MISADVENTURE  
NOW!

THE REASON  
WE GOT THIS  
FAR HAD  
BECAUSE  
YOU BROKE  
SO HARD  
FOR US!

IF IT  
WEREN'T  
FOR THAT,  
WE NEVER  
WOULD  
HAVE MET.

STOP  
CRYING

I KNOW I  
YELLED AT  
YOU THAT  
TIME BECAUSE  
I WAS MAD  
BUT IT WASN'T  
TOTALLY YOUR  
FAULT.

OF COURSE. I  
WANT YOU TO  
USE EVERY-  
THING YOU  
LEARNED AT  
THE OWNER'S  
KENNEL...

YES!

I'LL  
DO MY  
BEST!

YEAH

DO  
REALLY  
?

THEN IS IT  
ALL RIGHT  
IF I HELP  
MOA-CHAN  
ONE  
BRICK?



PREGNANCIES IN DOGS LAST ABOUT 58-65 DAYS (ABOUT TWO MONTHS).

MUCH SHORTER THAN FOR HUMANS.



NOA'S SLENDER STOMACH GREW BIGGER AND BIGGER EACH DAY.



FIFTY-ONE DAYS AFTER MATING



I WANT...

...BABIES  
TOO.



WE'LL  
GET TO  
MEET  
HOW'S  
PUPPERS  
BOOK.

I'M  
JEALOUS  
DUE



NO  
WONDER  
HER  
STOM-  
ACH  
IS  
SO BIG

AT THE  
CHECKUP  
WE LEARNED  
THERE ARE  
SEVEN  
PUPPERS



HUMP



SOME-  
TIMES

I CAN'T  
TELL IF  
SUGAR'S  
JOKING OR  
IF SHE'S  
SERIOUS



I WISH I  
COULD  
HAVE  
LUSTY'S  
BABIES...

...YOU  
KNOW  
P



YOU'RE  
A MOM,  
NOA!

GOOD  
WORK!



SIXTY  
DAYS  
AFTER  
MATING



WE HAVE  
SEVEN  
HEALTHY  
NEW  
PUPPES!



NOA HAD  
SEVEN  
PUPPES  
RIGHT ON  
SCHEDULE.



I DID DO  
THIS  
ONCE  
BEFORE.

I'M  
REALLY  
GLAD  
YOU  
WERE  
THERE TO  
HELP.

...SO I WAS WORRIED SHE MIGHT ABANDON HER MATERNAL DUTIES BECAUSE SHE PREPARED TO BE AROUND HUMANS



I HAD TO ADMIT THAT I WAS OVER-PROTECTIVE OF NOA...



AND I COULDN'T BE A HAPPIER "PARENT."

NOA IS BEHAVING PERFECTLY AS A MOTHER



BUT SHE'S NURSED THE PUPS...

...GIVEN THEM MILK...



...LICKED THEM IF THEY CRIED...

...AND HELPED THEM EVACUATE







...AND THE OTHERS ARE ALREADY RESERVED.

I PROMISED TO GIVE ONE TO THE OWNER OF THEIR FATHER...

HE GOT TO CHOOSE THESE PUPPIES VERY CAREFULLY.



MONT LARGER DOGS ARE BREED AFTER WE FIND HOMES FOR THEM.

HUH? YOU MEAN NONE WILL STAY AT WOOLFE'S?



I'M SO JEALOUS!

SO MANY CUTE PUPPIES!



BUT THEY'LL STAY WITH US HERE UNTIL THEY'RE THREE MONTHS OLD...

THEY'RE JUST GOING TO GET CUTER BY THE DAY!



WE MAY BE ABLE TO LEAVE ONE HERE.



I REALLY THINK...

...I WANT TO SEE  
LUPIN'S  
BABIES

PANT

PANT



YOU'RE  
STILL  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
SAIT

SNIF

HUMP DO  
YOU JUST  
SAY YOU  
WANT TO  
SEE LUPIN'S  
PUPPETS?



THAT'S  
EXACTLY  
THE  
REASON...

...THERE  
ARE SO  
MANY  
UNHAPPY  
DOGS!

...THERE IS  
NO REAL  
CONSIDER-  
ATION FOR  
THE FUTURE  
OF THE  
MOTHER DOG  
AND HER  
PUPPIS!

BEHIND  
PEOPLE'S  
WHIMS...



THERE ARE MORE  
THAN 130,000  
DOGS BEING PUT  
TO SLEEP EVERY  
YEAR, AND IT ALL  
STARTS WITH THE  
OWNERS WHO  
HAVE CARELESS  
DECISIONS.

WHAT  
MAKES YOU  
SAY LUPIN'S  
BABIES  
WILL BE  
UNHAPPY?



LUPIN IS  
A MUTT.

I REALLY DON'T  
THINK YOU  
WANTED  
NON-  
CHAN'S  
PUPPIS  
JUST TO  
SELL THEM  
OFF!

YOU  
WANTED TO  
SEE  
NON-  
CHAN'S  
TOO.





WE DON'T  
KNOW HOW  
BIG THEY  
COULD GET.  
OR IF THERE  
ARE ANY  
POTENTIAL  
HEREDITARY  
DISEASES.  
PLUS...

THIS MEANS  
WE HAVE NO  
IDEA WHAT  
KIND OF  
PUPPIES  
THEY WOULD  
BE AND HOW  
MANY THERE  
WOULD BE.

WITHOUT A  
PEDIGREE,  
WE DON'T  
KNOW  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT HIS  
ANCESTORS.



... MUTTS  
HAVE A MUCH  
SMALLER  
CHANCE OF  
FINDING A  
HOME.

EVEN IF THE  
PUPPIES  
ALL CAME  
OUT  
HEALTHY...



DO YOU  
STILL WANT  
TO SEE  
LUKIN'S  
PUPPIES?



AGAINST  
ALL  
THOSE  
ODDS...

CHAPTER 147: **LUPIN'S BRIDE?!**





I'LL  
ASK  
YOU  
AGAIN.

EVEN  
WITH  
ALL THE  
DIFFICUL-  
TIES...

DO YOU  
STILL WANT  
TO SEE  
LUPIN'S  
PUPPIES?



yes



yes



I DON'T EVEN  
KNOW MUCH  
ABOUT LUPINE'S  
GRANDFATHER  
UNTIL HEAVEN TOLD ME  
WHEN I WAS  
KIDNAPPED AT  
4 YEARS OLD.

IT'S  
TRUE.  
NOT  
ONLY DO  
I HARDLY  
KNOW  
ABOUT  
LUPINE'S  
MOTHER...



I ONLY  
WOULD  
REMEMBER THE  
KIDNAPPING  
INCIDENT  
ITSELF.



YOU'RE  
RIGHT,  
TERESA-  
SAIL.

BUT...



HOW DID  
HE  
WOULD  
THE  
PUPPES  
GROW?

HOW  
WENT  
TAKEN  
GROW?

WHAT  
KIND OF  
MAGIC  
DRUGS  
COULD  
HE  
HAVE?

WHAT  
KIND OF  
DOGS  
WERE  
LUPINE'S  
ANCESTORS?

UNLESS I  
CAN CLEAR  
ALL THESE  
ANYWHERE, I  
SHOULD'NT  
WALK FOR  
LUPINE  
PUPPES.



LUPIN  
LOVES  
NOA-  
CHAN.

I JUST  
WANTED  
HIM TO BE  
WITH THE  
LADY HE  
REALLY  
LOVES.

HEHE.



LUPIN'S  
FIRST LOVE  
DIDN'T  
COME  
TRUE.

BUT

NOA-CHAN  
ON THE  
OTHER  
HAND,  
FOUND  
HAPPINESS.



I WANT  
LUPIN  
TO BE  
HAPPY  
TOO.





I DON'T CARE  
HOW LONG IT  
TAKES.

I JUST WANT  
TO SEE THE  
DREAMLESS  
LUPIN WILL  
LEAVE  
SOMEDAY.



SO WHY  
SHOULDN'T  
LUPIN FIND  
HAPPINESS  
TOO?

THAT'S  
WHAT THE  
DREAMLESS  
RECOGNIZED.



I DON'T THINK  
THERE WILL  
BE TOO MANY  
FEMALE DOGS  
THAT WOULD  
WANT TO  
MATE WITH A  
MUTT EITHER.

WELL,  
YOU'D  
BETTER  
THINK  
HARD



IF HE  
DOESN'T  
HAVE A  
GIRLFRIEND,  
HE CAN'T  
FALL IN  
LOVE!



LUPIN  
DOESN'T  
EVEN HAVE  
A GIRL-  
FRIEND  
YET!

OH  
YEAH,  
I  
FORGOT!

AWW



I GAVE UP  
ON THAT  
A LONG  
TIME  
AGO.

MELON'S  
PUPPES?



OF  
COURSE.

→ REALLY?



IF HE WERE TO  
HAVE BABES,  
HE COULD  
PASS ON THE  
DISEASE TO  
HIS PUPS.

OF COURSE IT  
WOULD BE NICE  
TO SEE MELON'S  
CUTE LITTLE  
PUPPES. BUT...



HE WAS  
BORN WITH  
A HEART  
CONDITION.

OF  
COURSE  
HE'D ONLY  
NOW, BUT...



ACTUALLY,  
I WAS JUST  
THINKING I  
SHOULD  
HAVE HIM  
FIXED.

IT'S  
BETTER  
NOT TO  
CREATE  
ANY MORE  
UNHAPPY  
DOGGIES.



I  
DON'T  
EXPECT  
THAT!



YEAH  
THAT'S  
WHY I  
HAVE TO  
MAKE  
MORE  
MONEY.

YOU'RE  
FIXING  
HIM?



AH!  
AKIBA-  
SAN  
AND  
ZIGANE!

DO YOU  
HAVE THAT  
LEASH I  
ORDERED  
THE OTHER  
DAY?

Oh, sorry  
about  
Akiba-san's  
leash!



HER WAY OF  
THINKING IS  
A LOT MORE  
MATURE  
THAN MINE.

AND  
MUCHOLDER  
SAFE!

I THOUGHT  
CHIZURU-  
CHAN WOULD  
UNDERSTAND  
WHEN I WAS  
COMING FROM.



LI  
WELL...

HMMM. I  
REALLY  
HAVEN'T  
GIVEN IT  
MUCH  
THOUGHT.

ACTUALLY,  
I'M REALLY  
INTERESTED  
IN  
BREEDING.



WHAT?  
DOING  
JUNKBO  
P?



THEY BEST WAY  
FOR THESE DOGS  
TO BREED AND  
HAVE HEALTHY  
PUPPES IS TO  
LEAVE IT UP TO  
PROFESSIONALS.

SHORT-SNOUT DOGS  
LIKE THE FRENCH  
BULLDOGS HAVE LARGE  
HEADS, AND THE PUPS  
CAN'T GET THROUGH  
THE MOTHER'S BIRTH  
CANAL, SO THEY CAN  
ONLY GIVE BIRTH BY  
C-SECTION.



PEOPLE WHO  
WANT MONEY  
VICTIMIZE  
THESE POOR  
DOGS.

IF ANIMALS  
STAY MISSING  
AROUND JUST  
BECAUSE THEY  
WANT PUPPES,  
WE COULD HAVE  
A MAJOR  
SITUATION ON  
OUR HANDS.



ALL I WANT IS  
FOR LUPIN TO  
HAVE PUPPIES  
SOMEDAY.

IS MY  
DREAM SO  
IMPOSSI-  
BLE?



I'M JUST  
A SELFISH  
OWNER  
COMPARED  
TO THEM.

EVERYONE  
IS THINK-  
ING ABOUT  
THEIR  
DOGS AND  
THE FUTURE  
OF THEIR  
PUPS.



UM...  
KAWA-  
SAI!



WHAT'S  
THE  
MATTER?  
YOU SEEM  
A LITTLE  
DOWN.

I WONDER  
IF KAWA-  
SAI FEELS  
THE SAME  
WAY AS  
EVERYONE  
ELSE.



HEY  
KAWA-  
SAI!

THE  
MORSE  
IN THE  
FAMILY,  
THE  
BETTER!

I HAVE NO  
PLANS TO  
FIX HER  
YET.

OF  
COURSE  
I DO!

CHANTA'S  
PUPPIS!

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT,  
SUGAR-  
CHAMP?

...AND YOU  
DON'T  
REALLY  
KNOW HOW  
MANY WILL  
BE BORN.

...OR  
ABOUT  
GENETIC  
PROB-  
LEMS...

B-BUT...  
SOMETIMES  
IT'S REALLY  
HARD TO  
FIND THEM  
A HOME...

I THINK IT'S MORE  
BLUSH TO FIX A  
DOG AND TAKE  
THAT AWAY FROM  
THEM JUST FOR  
THE CONVENIENCE  
OF HUMANS!

I'M SURE  
CHANTA'S  
INSTINCTS  
TELL HER TO  
HAVE PUPPIS  
AND TO LEAVE  
DISCENDANTS!



R-  
REALLY?

YOU  
THINK  
SO  
TOO?



I THINK THAT  
THE TRUE  
MEANING OF A  
GOOD OWNER  
IS TO WELCOME  
THE PUPS AND  
TO GIVE THEM  
HAPPINESS  
TOO.



...WHEN I  
TOLD TERE-  
SAN THAT I  
WANTED TO  
SEE LUNA'S  
PUPPYS, HE  
GOT MAD  
AT ME!

TERE-  
SAN'S  
NON-COM-  
MUNICATIVE  
SIDE, AND...



BUT WHY  
DO YOU  
HATE?

AA  
MILL



WELL,  
BECAUSE  
LUNA  
BLAH  
BLAH...

WHAT?  
WHY?



SUGURU-  
CHAN, IN  
THAT  
CASE...

LUPIN  
SHOULD  
TAKE  
CHANTA  
AS HIS  
BRIDE!



YES...  
THAT'S  
TRUE...

SA-YO  
THERE  
WILL BE  
ONE  
JUST  
LIKE  
LUPIN

LUPIN IS MIXED  
WITH A JAPANESE  
DOG AND CHANTA  
IS A SHIBA, SO  
YOU CAN PROBABLY  
MUCH GUESS  
WHAT THE PUPPES  
WOULD LOOK LIKE.



THAT'S  
AS  
LONG  
AS  
LUPIN  
IS  
DEAL  
WITH  
IT, I  
HAVE  
NO  
PROB-  
LEMS.

WHAT?  
CHANTA  
?







ABSOLUTELY  
NOT!



I SAW YOU

ISN'T KIM-KUN A  
STUDENT LIVING  
IN AN APARTMENT  
BY HIMSELF? NO  
MATTER HOW  
MUCH HIS LAND-  
LORD MAY LIKE  
DOGS...

WHERE  
WOULD  
THEY  
HAVE THE  
PUPPETS?

WHO WOULD  
TAKE CARE  
OF THEM,  
AND WHO  
WOULD GIVE  
THEM  
FOOD?



THERE  
IS NO  
REASON  
FOR HER  
TO HAVE  
PLAYED  
WITH A  
MUTT

GHANTA  
IS A  
PLACE-  
BOOD  
BOMB

BUT  
KIM-  
KUN  
SAID  
HE'D BE  
HAPPY  
TO...



YOU  
REALLY  
DON'T  
OBTAIN IT.





PLIP

IT JUST  
SEEMS  
THAT...

LUPIN  
HAS NO  
CHANCE TO  
HAVE ANY  
PLURIS.

PLIP  
PLIP

SLU-  
BUGLES-  
CHAL

I'LL GO  
CLEAN  
THE  
DOG  
CAGES!

Y-YES,  
I'M  
SORRY

WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING,  
SLUGGISH!  
GET BACK  
TO WORK!

I PROMISE  
I WILL  
MAKE YOU  
AND LUPIN  
HAPPY.

DON'T  
WORRY,  
YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE  
TO  
CRY.



YOU'RE  
WRONG  
!!



TEKKU-  
SAN...



...AWAY  
FROM  
LUPIN?!

WHY ARE  
YOU TRYING  
TO TAKE  
THE CHANCE  
OF HAVING  
PUPPIES...

WHATT?



IF YOU  
LISTEN  
GUGURI-  
SAN ANY MORE...

...WITH THE  
PRINCIPLES  
AND  
POLICIES  
YOU PUSH  
ON HER...



THIS IS  
BETWEEN  
GUGURI-  
SAN AND  
ME.

IT'S NOT  
YOUR  
PLACE  
TO MAKE  
DECISIONS.

*I WILL  
NEVER  
FORGIVE  
YOU!!*





IF CHANTA  
AND LUPIN  
HAD PUPPES  
TOGETHER, I  
CAN'T EVEN  
IMAGINE HOW  
MUCH THAT  
HAPPINESS  
WOULD GROW.

BECAUSE  
OF CHANTA, I  
WAS ABLE TO  
EXPERIENCE  
THE KIND OF  
HAPPINESS I  
NEVER HAD  
BEFORE!

CHAPTER 148: ASSIGNMENT



SO  
WAY—



I KNOW THAT  
THE TWO OF  
US COULD  
BRING HAPPY-  
NESS TO THE  
PUPPES THAT  
WOULD ARRIVE.



ONCE  
THE  
PUPPES  
ARRIVE



WHY ARE  
YOU  
TRYING TO  
TAKE THIS  
HAPPINESS  
AWAY  
FROM US?

I'M SURE  
SUGURI-  
CHAN WILL  
SHOW HER  
BRIGHTEST  
SMILE EVER.



**CHAPTER 148: ASSIGNMENT**





BUT...

I AM NOT  
WRONG  
EITHER.



I UNDER-  
STAND  
YOUR  
FEELINGS,  
KOSU-SAN.



I'M NOT  
LETTING  
ANYONE  
TAKE THAT  
AWAY  
FROM ME!



IT'S HARD  
TO SAY  
WHO'S  
WRONG  
AND WHO'S  
RIGHT.

IT'S  
JUST  
THAT...



HAHA...



LET'S  
BE  
RATIONAL.





YOU  
SHOULDN'T  
FORCE  
YOUR  
BELIEFS  
ON  
OTHERS.



THIS  
IS MY  
BELIEF.



HE  
WOULDN'T  
LISTEN  
TO  
REASON  
NOW.

THIS  
COULD  
BE A  
PROB.



I THINK  
THIS  
CONVER-  
SATION  
IS OVER!

I HAVE  
CONFIDENCE  
THAT I CAN BE  
RESPONSIBLE  
FOR MY OWN  
DOES!



BUT I WON'T  
CHANGE MY  
BELIEFS, NO  
MATTER WHAT  
ANYONE  
SAYS



I'M  
SORRY  
ABOUT  
EARLIER.

BOW



I WILL  
GIVE  
GHANTA  
AND LURN  
MORE  
THOUGHT.

I THINK  
KIM-SAN  
IS JUST A  
LITTLE  
HOTHEADED  
NOW TOO.

わっふ

AND...

IT WAS  
WEIRD OF  
ME TO CRY  
DURING  
WORK.



IT'S  
IMPORTANT  
TO THINK THIS  
THROUGH  
BEFORE  
TAKING ANY  
ACTION.

LIKE  
YOU  
SAID.



IT HADN'T  
THOUGHT  
REALLY  
HARD ABOUT  
THE DOGS THAT  
GET PUT DOWN  
JUST BECAUSE  
OF HUMAN  
BELIEFS.

...WHEN I  
WAS  
YOUNG, I  
WENT TO  
AN ANIMAL  
SHELTER.

I MAY  
HAVE  
TOLD  
YOU THIS  
BEFORE,  
BUT...



THAT'S WHY I  
DECIDED TO  
DEDICATE  
MY LIFE TO  
BUILDING A  
SOCIETY WHERE  
DOGS AND  
HUMANS CAN  
HAPPILY COEXIST  
TOGETHER.

GO...

AND I TOLD  
MYSELF I  
COULDN'T  
LET ANOTHER  
UNHAPPY  
DOG BE  
BROUGHT INTO  
THIS WORLD.  
NOT ONE.



IT'S NOT  
THAT I  
DON'T  
TRUST  
YOU OR  
THAT...

...I FEEL  
LUPIN  
DOESN'T  
DESERVE  
TO HAVE  
PUPPES.



BUT THERE  
IS NOTHING  
THAT WILL  
MAKE ME  
CHANGE  
OTHERWISE.



...I CAN'T  
JUST BE  
A SILENT  
BYSTANDER.

WHEN I SEE  
A POORLY  
PLANNED  
BOMBING  
ABOUT TO  
TAKE PLACE  
RIGHT IN  
FRONT OF  
ME...



REALLY?  
THANK  
YOU



I WANT  
TO HELP  
YOU  
MAKE  
THAT  
DREAM  
COME  
TRUE

I WANT  
TO HELP.



I WANT YOU  
TO HAVE  
A HAPPY  
FUTURE  
WITH YOUR  
DOGS AND  
PUPPIES.  
THAT'S ALL.

I WANT YOU  
TO THINK  
ABOUT THE  
FUTURE OF  
YOUR DOGS  
REALLY  
CAREFULLY.



THIRTY-  
THREE  
DAYS  
AFTER  
NOA GAVE  
BIRTH

YA  
P

YA  
P



THE  
PUPPIES ARE  
GRADUALLY  
BEING  
WEANED OFF  
THEIR  
MOTHER'S  
MILK.

NEXT  
YOU'RE  
HEARD  
ONE.  
ONE-  
CHAM!

OVER  
HERE!  
COME  
HERE!

AND ARE  
SHOWING  
CUSTOMERS  
WITH THEIR  
CUTEHOSS.



HEY CAN  
I HAVE A  
MINUTE?





I THOUGHT  
 YOU WANTED  
 A YELLOW  
 LAB. SO...

UNFORTU-  
 NATELY  
 HE'S  
 ALREADY  
 TAKEN



IS HE  
 TAKEN  
 BY ANY  
 CHANCE?

THIS IS  
 A GORG-  
 GEIOUS  
 BLACK  
 LAB



HAHAHA  
 THAT'S  
 VERY  
 KIND

BUT ANY  
 PUP OF  
 YOURS  
 IS JUST  
 PERFECT.

I JUST  
 THOUGHT SINCE  
 SCHNEIDER IS  
 BLACK MAYBE  
 IT'D BE COOL  
 TO GO WITH  
 ANOTHER BLACK  
 DOG.



WHY?

I WAS  
 GOING TO  
 KEEP THIS  
 BLACK LAB.

FOR A SECOND, I  
 THOUGHT  
 I'D LOVE  
 HIM TO  
 ANITA'S  
 GAIL.



THAT  
 WAS A  
 CLOSE  
 ONE



IT'S HARD  
TO LET GO  
WHEN  
THEY LOOK  
SO MUCH  
ALIKE.



THIS ONE  
LOOKS  
EXACTLY LIKE  
NOA WHEN  
SHE WAS  
A PUP.



NOA'S  
SOUL WILL  
STILL BE  
WITH THIS  
PUP.



THIS WAY,  
WHEN  
SOMEONE  
THE  
INEVITABLE  
HAPPENS...



WHAT  
HAPPENS  
WHEN  
LUPIN  
DIES?

USH...



AND  
LUPIN  
IS...



AND I WILL  
ALWAYS  
BE ABLE  
TO FEEL  
CLOSE TO  
NOA.



2000



NNNN-  
GGGG-  
GGG!!



I GUESS  
SHE  
STILL  
HAS A  
REALLY  
STRONG  
WILL...

...TO SEE  
LUPIN'S  
PUPPIS  
SOMEDAY.



I HAVE TO  
ADMIT,  
THIS IS  
WAY TOO  
CRUEL  
FOR  
SUSUKU



AK...  
OH  
NO!

NOW  
I'VE  
DONE  
IT.

NNNN-  
GGGG-



I CAN  
LET  
LUPIN  
HAVE  
BABIES?

HUMP  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?



BUT IF I CAN  
BE CERTAIN  
THAT YOU'LL  
BE RESPONS-  
SIBLE FOR  
LUPIN  
PUPPIES...

...I AM  
WILLING  
TO  
CHANGE  
MY MIND.



PA  
BILL  
ANSWER  
IT

YOU  
WERE GO  
AGAINST  
IT. WHY THE  
SUDDEN  
CHANGE?



AN  
ASSIGN-  
MENT?



BUT BEFORE  
THAT, YOU  
NEED TO  
COMPLETE AN  
ASSIGN-  
MENT.



DOG HOUSE カシマ  
DOG HOUSE KASHIMA



GOOD  
AFTER-  
NOON!



IT'S NOT  
REALLY  
A SHOP.

DOG  
HOUSE  
OVERHAUL!

IS THIS  
A PET  
SHOP?



IT'S  
DIFFICULT  
TO GET  
SOME  
THE WAY  
YOU  
WANT

TRAIL  
I'M  
SURE  
IT'S  
TOUGH



HOW'S THE  
PET SHOP  
BUSI-  
NESS?

OH!  
TERRI-  
CIAN! IT'S  
BEEN A  
WHILE.



A PLACE  
YOU KEEP  
LOST OR  
ABANDONED  
DOGS  
UNTIL THEY  
FIND  
FOSTER  
HOMES?

DOG  
SHELTER, YOU  
MEAN.



I'M  
SURE  
MY MUM  
WILL BE  
NICE TO  
MEET  
YOU.

OH,  
SOME  
ONE OF  
OUR  
STAFF.

WOW  
AND  
WHO'S  
THAT?



HI, I'M  
KATHAL, A  
FRIEND OF  
TERRI-  
CIAN'S  
SINCE WE  
WERE IN  
SCHOOL.

I RUN A  
VOLUNTEER  
DOG  
SHELTER.





YOU'RE  
TAKING  
CARE  
OF IT,  
RIGHT?

FINDING A  
FOSTER  
HOME.



THIS IS  
GOING TO  
BE YOUR  
ASSIGN-  
MENT.



HAVE  
YOU  
FOUND A  
FOSTER  
HOME?

THAT'S  
RIGHT





## **CHAPTER 149: HINOMARU-KUN**





IN OTHER WORDS IF  
YOU CAN'T  
FIND HIM A  
HOME...

...YOU WON'T  
BE ABLE TO  
FIND ONE  
FOR LUPIN'S  
PUPPES  
OTHER



A LARGE  
JAPANESE  
MUTT  
ABOUT THE  
SAME SIZE  
AS LUPIN.

YOU COULD  
SAY THAT  
THIS DOG IS  
SIMILAR TO  
WHAT LUPIN'S  
PUPPES MIGHT  
LOOK LIKE  
WHEN THEY  
GROW UP



SUGAR-  
CHINA  
IS HOT



BUT HE  
SHOWS  
SIGNS OF  
HAVING  
BEEN  
ABUSED...

MY GUESS IS  
THIS ONE IS  
ABOUT 3 YEARS  
OLD. HE HAS  
NO HEALTH  
PROBLEMS AND  
IS TOILET  
TRAINED





...PROBABLY  
BY A  
PREVIOUS  
OWNER.



HE  
WOULD  
BARELY  
EAT

WHEN HE  
FIRST CAME  
TO THE  
SHELTER, HE  
SEEMED  
TERRIFIED.



HE HAS  
A BURN  
MARK  
ON HIS  
BODY.





IT MAY TAKE  
SOME TIME  
BEFORE HE  
LETS YOU  
TOUCH HIM.



GRAB-  
BING HIM WAS  
A REAL  
ORdeal IN THE  
BEGINNING.



DON'T  
LOOK  
OVER  
HERE!

READY?



WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
DOING?





...WHEN  
HE WAS A  
PUPPY.

...PROBABLY  
HAD MANY  
PICTURES  
TAKEN...



OH WORD  
GIRLS  
TALKING  
HIM.

WAS  
ARE  
YOUR



I  
MET  
THAT  
HIM...





HE WAS  
ONCE  
LOVED  
AND  
HAPPY.



IT'S  
NOT  
MUCH,  
BUT...

OH!  
THANK  
YOU  
SO  
MUCH.



OHAY!  
TAKE  
CARE OF  
MOMOMU  
FOR ME!











MAYBE BEING  
TAKEN TO A  
STRANGE HOME  
REMINDS HIM  
OF THE BAD  
MEMORIES IN  
HIS PAST.



MAYBE HE'S  
DISTRESSED  
FROM THE  
CHANGE OF  
ENVIRON-  
MENT

THAT'S  
PROBABLY  
IT.



YEAH

WELL, HE JUST  
GOT HERE.  
LET'S LET HIM  
REST INSTEAD  
OF FORCING  
HIM TO EAT.



HEY  
BOY  
LOVE  
YOU



HE'D  
STILL  
NOT  
BATHED.



SOMETHING  
GOOD...  
FATHER  
SAY

I WONDER  
WHAT HE  
WENT TO  
DO?



REALLY-  
KUN SAID  
HE NOT  
BATHED  
AGAIN THIS  
MORNING.

I KNOW,  
HOW CAN  
WE MAKE  
HIM BATH?



AH!



THE  
FORBID-  
DEN  
MENU!









HE  
ATE  
IT!!



THE MISO  
SOUP RICE  
IS JUST  
FOR  
TODAY.

WE'RE  
GOING TO  
HAVE TO  
START  
CHANGING  
YOUR DIET,  
OKAY?"



YOUR  
OWNER  
DIDN'T  
KNOW MUCH  
ABOUT  
DOGS, DID  
HE?

LOOK, MAM,  
A LONG  
TIME  
AGO...



HE MUST HAVE  
HAD THIS  
MEAL AT HIS  
PREVIOUS  
OWNER'S  
PLACE.



THAT  
MEANS...



...TO BE  
CARED  
FOR AND  
SHOWEROED  
WITH LOVE!

WHAT  
HE  
NEEDS  
NOW  
MOST  
IS...



BOO

BUT THIS IS  
NOT YOUR  
TRUE  
HOME YET,  
KAWAII!



ALL RIGHT!  
I'M GOING  
TO FIND  
YOU A  
REALLY  
NICE  
HOME!

# FUN DRAFTS AND STORYBOARDS PART 2



RUN!!!



RUN!!



RUN!



TO MY CHILDREN  
MAMA IS LEAVING  
FOR A WHILE

THEY WERE THE MOTHER IN  
ON THE SECOND FLOOR. ONE  
MOMMY-DADDY 5-1000 BROTHER  
SISTER. THEY WERE THE  
FATHERS WHO WERE WITH  
THE MOTHER WHO WERE WITH

THEY WERE THE MOTHER  
WHO WERE WITH THE  
FATHERS WHO WERE WITH

THEY WERE THE MOTHER  
WHO WERE WITH THE  
FATHERS WHO WERE WITH

THEY WERE THE MOTHER  
WHO WERE WITH THE  
FATHERS WHO WERE WITH

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FATHERS WHO WERE WITH

THEY WERE THE MOTHER  
WHO WERE WITH THE  
FATHERS WHO WERE WITH

# **CHAPTER 150: OPERATION: FIND A FOSTER HOME!**





# LOOKING FOR A HOME

A GREAT DOG LOOKING FOR A LOVING HOME

MY NAME IS  
HINOMARU



HINOMARU (APPROX. 3 YEARS OLD, MALE, MIXED BREED)

THIS  
SHOULD  
DO.

HE WAS RESCUED FROM A SHELTER THAT DESTROYS HOMELESS ANIMALS AND TRANSFERRED TO ONE THAT WORKS TO FIND HOMES FOR THEM. HE HAS SUFFERED SOME TRAUMA, BUT HAS NOW RECOVERED TO THE POINT WHERE HE CAN BE A PERFECT PET. PHYSICALLY HE IS VERY HEALTHY. HE IS SWEET AND QUIET AND IS FULLY TOILET TRAINED. TRYOUTS ARE POSSIBLE. PLEASE COME SEE STAFF MEMBER SUGURI WYNAUCHI FOR DETAILS.



THE DOGGY IS FREE, BUT WE DO ASK FOR THE  
SPRAYING AND NEUTERING FEE UP FRONT.

- MALE NEUTERING OPERATION FEE (\$300)
- FEMALE SPRAYING OPERATION FEE (\$500)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN OUR EFFORTS  
TO RID THE WORLD OF UNHAPPY PETS.



...I CAN FIND  
A GOOD  
FAMILY FOR  
HINOMARU-  
KUN...

I  
PRAY  
...



THANKS!  
I CAN DO  
THIS!

I HOPE  
YOU FIND  
IT SOON.



IT TURNS OUT  
MISO SOUP  
RICE IS A  
SPECIAL MENU  
THAT BRINGS  
PEOPLE AND  
DOGS  
TOGETHER!

WHAT  
ABOUT  
MISO  
SOUP?



...ATE  
THE MISO  
SOUP  
RICE I  
MADE!

SINCE  
HINOMARU-  
KUN...



HE'S  
SINGING!

OH NO!!  
WOULDN'T  
DO THAT!  
HEHEHE.

SOUNDS  
EXACTLY  
LIKE  
SOME-  
THING  
YOU  
MIGHT  
DO.



DON'T  
TELL ME  
YOU GAVE  
HINOMARU  
MISO  
SOUP!!

AGH!  
TEPPU-  
SAN..



I SAID TO  
APPROVE OF  
LUPIN'S MATING  
IF SHE COULD  
FIND A FOSTER  
HOME FOR  
THIS DOG.

IT'S SO THAT  
SHE CAN  
LEARN FROM  
EXPERIENCE  
HOW TOUGH  
IT IS TO FIND  
A GOOD  
FOSTER HOME.



THE DEAD-  
LINE FOR  
FINDING A  
HOME FOR  
HINOMARU  
FROM  
THE DOG  
GUILD IS...

...THREE  
WEEKS.



YEAH! HE'S  
SUCH A  
GOOD BOY  
AND I THINK  
HE'D GET  
ALONG  
PERFECTLY  
WITH  
MELON.

MURURURU



WHAT? A  
FOSTER  
PARENT?

MEP?



I SEE  
WELL...  
THAT'S  
OKAY

I'VE  
REALLY  
BAD FOR  
THE  
MUT.

I'M REALLY  
SORRY, BUT  
HONESTLY  
RIGHT NOW  
MELON IS ALL  
I CAN HANDLE.



LETTER  
ARE JUST  
AS GOOD.



...LIKE  
MELON. I  
GUESS

I'LL ASK SOME  
OF THE GIRLS  
AT THE CLUB  
BUT MOST OF  
THEM WANT  
SMALL DOGS  
WITH A  
PICCOLLO...







OH NO. I DON'T HAVE TIME TO VISIT THEM.



MOMMY SAYS WE CAN'T HAVE TWO.

LITTLE MAMA



NO WAY, I CAN'T HAVE TWO.



BOBBY I CAN'T HAVE ANOTHER DOG BECAUSE MY LUCKY GIFTS TOO JEALOUS



HANNA, I WOULD HAVE TAKEN HIM IF IT WAS SUSUMU'S PUP

TSK HANNA! KENTARO'S LITTLE BROTHER



I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEONE WHO CAN GIVE THIS DOG A HOME?



SCOUTS KOU AND MURRAY

I COULD HANDLE A CAT, BUT...



ANY DOG OWNED BY ME WILL HAVE A TRAGIC FATE. HE'D MOST LIKELY DIE OF STARVATION.



A GREAT DOG LOOKING FOR



SHOUBU (MURRAY, 3 YEARS OLD)

HE WAS BORN FROM A POPULATORY CONTROL PROGRAM. HE'S TRUSTED & LOVED FOR THEIR 1 YEAR. ABOUT THE NEW PROGRAM, A PERFECT PUP! HE'S A GREAT HUSBAND. THOUGHTS ARE FOR THE MEMBER SUSUMU MURRAY

DOGS IS FREE BUT HE'S AND HEALTHY AND FEELING NEUTERING OPERATING. EMAL SPENDING OPERATING

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



KIDDO-SAN



MARY TAYLOR (MURRAY)



HE'S ALSO LACKING THAT REDDISH HUE OF A JAPANESE DOG



ALTHOUGH PERSONALLY I LOVE MURRAY LIKE THESE

SHALL WE HAVE DIRECTOR

HANNA MY CALICHO WANTS A DOG





YES!!



TAK  
TAK

TAK  
TAK

TAK  
TAK

WE'RE  
HERE!

I KNOW  
JIN-GAN  
WILL TAKE  
GOOD CARE  
OF HER.

I'M SO  
GLAD I  
DIDN'T  
GIVE UP!



OH...

THIS IS  
HINO-  
MARU!



UHM  
P



WHAT A  
SHAME.

HE'S A  
BIT TOO  
BIG...



IF ONLY HE  
WAS A  
LITTLE  
SMALLER.



THERE'S  
NOTHING BUT  
OLD FOLKS  
HERE  
WALKING A  
DOG THIS  
BIG WOULD  
BE TOO  
RUCH



MY AUNT-  
MOM ONLY  
ALLOWS  
DOGS  
THAT ARE  
LESS THAN  
50 CM  
TALL.



I THOUGHT  
IT'D BE  
ONLY IF HE  
WAS ONLY  
SLIGHTLY  
BIGGER,  
BUT...

MY  
BUILDING  
ALLOWS  
ONLY  
SMALL  
DOGS

HE  
SORY



SIZE IS A  
BIG FACTOR  
FOR PEOPLE  
LOOKING  
FOR A PET  
TO KEEP IN  
THE CITY.

IT'S  
BOLASH  
OUT  
THESE.  
HINT IT?



CITIES  
AREN'T  
THE ONLY  
PLACES YOU  
CAN KEEP  
A DOG



IT'S  
DIFFICULT  
TO HAVE A  
LARGE DOG  
IN A CITY  
APARTMENT

PLUS, MOST  
PEOPLE ARE  
TOO BUSY TO  
BE ABLE TO  
PROVIDE THE  
SUFFICIENT  
EXERCISE  
THAT LARGE  
DOGS NEED.



IT'S  
GOING  
TO BE  
FINE.



I'LL COME  
VISIT  
ASOON  
WITH SOME  
SENTRY

AM  
REALLY  
YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE  
TO



CHOKO!

CHOKO!

HELL, IT'S  
TRUE AS  
LIFE IN  
THE  
COUNTRY-  
SIDE.

...BUT I  
WANT  
LIFE'S  
FLIP



WROTE-  
KUN, YOU  
WEREN'T  
THAT COLD  
WHEN YOU  
USED TO  
WORK AT  
WOODLIFE.

WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN  
IT?



I HAVE MY  
HANDS FULL  
WITH THIS  
DOGS.

I DON'T  
THINK I CAN  
HANDLE  
ANOTHER  
ONE



SUGURI-  
CHAN!

GROOOO

HMM...  
WHO  
ELSE CAN  
I ASK?



THIS IS  
TEPPER-  
SAYS WAY  
OF TESTING  
US. HAVN'T  
IT?

WHY  
DIDNT  
YOU ASK  
ME?



AM  
SOM-  
SAY



N-NO.  
THIS IS MY  
PROBLEM!

LET ME  
HELP  
TOO.



BLURRY-  
CAIN, HOW  
ADORABLE!

HEY,  
SAYAKA!



I PROMISED  
TO FIND A  
HOME FOR  
HINDMARSH-  
KUN BY  
MYSELF.

IF IT GETS  
TO THE  
POINT THAT I  
NEED YOUR  
HELP, I'LL  
COME TALK  
TO YOU!





WAA~

WHAT'S THAT?



I THINK  
IT'LL BE  
GOOD  
PR!

EVERYONE  
WILL SEE IT  
IF I WEAR  
THIS WHILE  
I'M WALKING  
THE DOGS



IT'S A  
FOSTER  
HOME  
T-SHIRT!

I MADE IT  
MYSELF!

TA

DA



YOU CERTAINLY  
HAVE A WILD  
APPROACH TO  
LOOKING FOR  
FOSTER HOMES!

WHAT ON  
EARTH IS  
GOING  
ON AT  
WOOLLEN?

WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON WITH IT?



DOES  
SHE  
MEAN  
HAVING  
NO  
SHAME?

AT WOOLLEN,  
WE DON'T  
JUST SELL  
THINGS, WE  
ACTUALLY  
TAKE PART IN  
VOLUNTEER  
WORK TOO!



OH,  
NOTHING  
GOOD  
LUCK.

GRRR

WHAT  
PI?





THANK  
YOU  
EVERYONE.



HE'S A  
LITTLE BIG,  
BUT HE'S  
CUTE! I'M  
SURE  
PEOPLE  
WOULD  
WANT HIM.

FROM AN  
ABANDONED  
STREET  
KITEN?

I'LL ASK  
AROUND  
FOR YOU.



I'M GLAD  
WE CAME  
OUT HERE.

AS LONG  
AS I CAN  
GET THE  
WORD OUT  
ABOUT  
HINOMARU.



I HOPE  
YOU  
FIND AN  
OWNED  
SOON.



I'LL ASK  
MY  
FRIENDS!



## CHAPTER 151: FOSTER HOME CANDIDATE





OF COURSE! I'M GLAD I  
GOT UP THE  
COURAGE  
TO ASK  
YOU.





NICE!  
THE  
SHIRT  
PAID  
OFF!

THE  
HANGING  
LADY  
LAUGHED  
AT ME,  
BUT I'LL  
ENJOY  
THIS!



FROM  
HANGING HERE  
BECAUSE  
I APPROACHED  
TO SUDDENLY

I'M  
SORRY,  
THIS ONE  
IS MINE

HEY,  
LADY,  
WHY ARE  
YOU  
GROWLING?





WHEN I SEE  
TV SHOWS  
ABOUT  
ANIMAL  
SHELTERS,  
IT MAKES  
ME SAD.

THERE  
ARE SOME  
REALLY  
BAD  
PEOPLE  
OUT  
THERE.



AS A  
FELLOW  
HUMAN  
BEING,  
IT'S VERY  
CHALLENGING.

PEOPLE WHO  
BRING ANIMALS  
TO SHELTERS  
TO HAVE THEM  
PUT TO SLEEP  
REALLY  
AGGRAVATE ME.



I DON'T  
KNOW  
FOR  
SURE  
YET.

THE MAN  
IS THE  
RIGHT FIT  
AS KING-  
KARU-  
KUN'S NEW  
OWNER.

MAYBE



I'M SURE  
KINGKARU-  
KUN HAS  
GONE  
THROUGH A  
LOT TOO.



SURE,  
I'LL COME  
BY.

WELL,  
MAYBE WE  
SHOULD  
JUST GO  
NOW.



THERE ARE MANY  
THINGS TO BE  
EXPLAINED AND  
PAPERWORK TO  
BE FILLED OUT.  
WOULD YOU BE  
ABLE TO COME  
BY THE STORE?

UH,  
UNFORTU-  
NATELY,  
I CAN'T  
JUST GIVE  
HIM TO YOU  
RIGHT NOW.

OH,  
REALLY  
P



OH...  
AH...

I'M  
FINE.

IT MUST  
BE HARD  
TO WALK  
TWO  
DOGS.

I'LL HOLD  
HINO-  
MATSU-  
KUN'S  
LEASH.



ALL  
RIGHT,  
READY,  
HINO-  
MATSU

I WONDER  
IF HINO-  
MATSU  
WILL LET A  
STRANGER  
WALK HIM.











I SHOULDN'T  
EVEN  
ASKED HIS  
NAME OR  
ANYTHING!!



I SHOULDN'T  
EVEN  
ASKED HIS  
NAME OR  
ANYTHING!!

B  
B  
B

B  
B  
B



WHAT IF  
HE'S A  
BAD  
MAN?

B  
B  
B



TRI  
P



W-  
WHAT AM  
I GOING  
TO DO?  
HE TOOK  
HIM!!

HINO-  
MARU  
!!











I HAD A  
DOG THAT  
JUST DIED  
RECENTLY.

IT  
REMINDED  
ME OF  
WHEN I  
HAD HIM.



YES- HE LOOKED  
KIND OF LIKE  
HINOBUKI-  
KUN TOO. MY  
MOTHER LOVED  
HIM SO MUCH.

HE  
PASSED  
AWAY?



OH  
SURE  
IT. IT'S  
SAYO.

UM  
CAN I  
ASK  
WHAT  
YOUR  
NAME IS?



I THOUGHT  
MY  
PARENTS  
WOULD  
REALLY BE  
HAPPY IF I  
BROUGHT  
HIM HOME.

SO WHEN  
I SAW  
HINO-  
BUKI-  
KUN, I  
WAS  
STUNNED.



I  
NEED  
TO  
TALK  
TO YOU  
ABOUT...

THAT'S  
ONE  
THING...



ALSO, WE NEED  
TO VISIT YOUR  
HOME. WE NEED  
TO MAKE SURE  
WE ARE PLACING  
HIM IN THE RIGHT  
ENVIRONMENT. IS  
THIS OKAY?

WE ARE ABLE TO  
GIVE HIM TO YOU  
FOR FREE, BUT  
WE ASK THAT  
THE NEW OWNER  
PAY FOR THE  
NEUTERING  
FEE.

YES.



OH, I SEE.  
YOU GUYS  
ARE VERY  
THOROUGH.



WE TAKE THE  
RESPONSIB-  
ILITY OF  
FINDING THE  
RIGHT HOME  
SERIOUSLY.



I DON'T  
THINK IT  
WOULD  
COST  
MONEY.

THANKS.



PLEASE  
HAVE A  
TALK  
WITH  
YOUR  
FAMILY.



WE STILL  
HAVE  
PLENTY  
OF TIME.



I DON'T REALLY  
HAVE MUCH  
ILL THOUGHT  
IS WITH MY  
FAMILY AND  
COME TALK TO  
YOU AGAIN.

I WOULD  
BE READY TO  
TAKE HER  
BUT  
SORRY.



TMP

TMP











**NUBAKA**



**SPECIAL  
CHAPTER**

**STORY OF  
LITTLE LUPIN**

**THIEF DOG  
GOES WILD!**

IT'S  
SUGURI-  
CHAN  
FROM THE  
MIYAUCHI  
FAMILY.

LOOK.

THEY GROW  
UP SO FAST.  
SHE PROBABLY  
DOESN'T EVEN  
REMEMBER  
THAT INCIDENT  
ANYMORE.

THAT'S IN  
GRADE  
SCHOOL  
NOW.

ON PULL! GROUP! LADDER!

HEY  
MAMA'S  
SUGURI!

HEY!  
SUGURI!  
HURRY  
UP!

IS IT  
TRUE THEY  
HAVEN'T  
FOUND THE  
KIDNAPPER  
YET?

I JUST HOPE  
EVERYTHING  
WILL STAY  
OKAY.

SUGURI  
MIYAUCHI



SHE WAS  
THE VICTIM  
OF AN  
INCIDENT...

...THAT  
SHOOK  
OUR  
SMALL  
TOWN...



AT AGE  
11, THE  
RESPONSIB-  
ILITY FOR  
GETTING  
HER  
SUPPLY TO  
SCHOOL...

...HAD  
SOMEBODY  
LANDED  
ON ME.  
HIDEKOSHI  
SUZUKI...

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?  
WE'RE  
GOING  
TO BE  
LATE!







AH...  
YEAH.



SURE-  
KUN? SO  
YOU'RE  
GOING TO  
HAVE SOME  
TIME AFTER  
SCHOOL,  
RIGHT?



TWENTY  
YEARS  
LATER



AH...

I'LL GIVE  
IT SOME  
THOUGHT.

ANYTHING  
BUT  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
THIS...



YOU ARE A  
GOOD  
TEACHER TO  
YOUR SUB-  
ORDINATES

I'M THINKING OF  
RECOMMENDING  
YOU TO THE  
BOSS TO WORK  
FULL-TIME.

AND YOUR  
TASTE AT  
BRINGING  
COFFEE IS  
IMPECCABLE.

COULD A

I'LL  
BE A  
NEET\*!

BUT IF  
I QUIT  
THIS  
PLACE...

I SUSPECT  
IT'S ABOUT  
TIME TO  
QUIT  
WORKING  
AT THE  
RESTAURANT.

...I'M NOT  
READY TO  
LEAVE MY  
PART-TIME  
JOB. A  
FULL-TIME  
JOB.

EVEN  
THOUGH I'M  
A GRADUATE  
OF A  
NATIONAL  
UNIVERSITY  
AND MIGHT  
LAND A  
PROPER  
JOB...



\*PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT: EDUCATION DISADVANTAGE



I JUST WANT  
HIM TO BE  
ABLE TO  
GRADUATE.

PLEASE  
HELP US,  
TEACHER!

I'M  
SUSPECTING  
YOUR  
HOME  
TUTOR

I'M  
COMING  
IN...

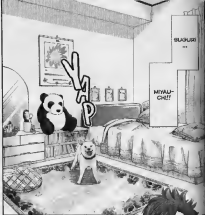
...THE GIRL  
THAT ONCE  
UPON A  
TIME SAVED  
A POOR  
LITTLE DOG.

WIFE  
ONE  
HERE

THE DECISION  
THAT  
REMOVED  
ME FROM  
REALLY  
BECOMING  
A NEET WAS...













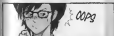




I SAID  
COME.



LUPIN,  
COME  
HERE.



COOP



QUIT BLAM  
SNIFFING.

I'M NOT  
A DOG,  
YOU  
KNOW!!

BAD!



SHUT SHUT SHUT SHUT

AH!  
HEY!





ANYWAY, I  
FOLDED  
YOUR  
LAUNDRY.



IT'S MUCH  
BETTER THAN  
GOING TO A  
DAIL SCHOOL.  
THERE'S  
NOTHING  
TO WORRY  
ABOUT HERE.

TO  
BETTER  
LEARN  
JAPANESE  
THAN  
ENGLISH.

IM  
EX-  
HAUSTED !



OR DO YOU  
MEAN THE  
ONES WITH  
THREE  
FOLDS  
ON THE  
BACK?

YOU MEAN  
THE ONES WITH  
STRINGS ON  
THE SIDE AND  
LACES WITH  
THE DESIGN IN  
THE MIDDLE?



WAIT.  
WHERE  
ARE MY  
PINK  
PANTIES?



OH NO,  
MOM!  
WHAT  
SHOULD  
WE DO?

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
THINKING  
ABOUT?  
DID YOU  
CHECK  
CARE-  
FULLY?



THAT'S  
STRANGE...  
THEY WERE  
HANDLED  
OUTSIDE  
TOGETHER

I-IT'S  
OKAY.



COULD  
IT BE...

...A  
PANTY  
THEFT?





ANYHOW, SEVERAL WEEKS WENT BY...











IS THAT  
MONEY?

WELL  
HERE  
WHILE I  
GO  
CHECK IT  
OUT,  
OKAY?



WELL...  
HE'S  
MONEY!

NOT  
TO  
SCARED



IS  
WHERE  
IS YOUR  
MONEY?

IF  
WANT  
WAS  
THAT  
MONEY?

SHE'S  
GONE  
OUT  
TODAY.



I  
SHOULDN'T  
HAVE  
TRIED  
TO  
LOOK  
COOL.

I'M  
SO  
A  
PUNK  
ANY  
ONE  
I  
PROTECT  
HERE?

I  
JUST  
VOLUNTEERED  
TO  
PROTECT  
THIS  
GIRL  
FROM  
A  
STALKER.

SAYING  
THIS  
IS  
JUST  
A  
MISCHIEV-  
YOUR  
GAME  
OF  
FAITH.



WHO'S  
THERE  
?!



I  
HEARD  
SOME-  
THING  
IN  
THE  
MIDDLE

IS  
THAT  
GIRL?





I WILL NEVER  
EVER FORGET  
THE LOOK ON  
THE LADY'S  
FACE. SHE  
LOOKED AT  
ME LIKE I WAS  
A CRIMINAL.

I WONDER  
IF THE  
TEACHER'S  
SPOKE!



I WAS  
TRYING TO  
GET THE  
MONEY FROM  
HIM.

NO!  
NO!

AND IT WAS  
CLEAR THAT  
LUPIN WAS  
THE GUILTY  
THIEF.

WAS  
THAT  
YOU  
LUPIN?

WHAT  
THE  
HECK IS  
THAT?

AFTER THAT,  
ALL HER  
WANTED  
WAS TO FIND  
LUPIN'S  
FATHER'S  
RED...



WEL-  
COME.

YES

...AND  
THEY  
CALLED ME  
TO TEACH  
AGAIN,  
BUT...



...AND  
HE  
APOLO-  
GIZED  
TO MANY  
TIMES...

I WAS  
INNOCENT  
AGAIN...





1. **THE**  
 2. **THE**  
 3. **THE**  
 4. **THE**  
 5. **THE**  
 6. **THE**

—AND I  
WANT  
THE  
WORLD  
TO  
KNOW  
THAT

AFTER THAT, SHE SHOWED UP AT THE RESTAURANT EVERY NOW AND THEN, BUT SHE HAIN'T COME FOR A WHILE NOW.

100-1000  
 1000-10000  
 10000-100000  
 100000-1000000

**BUT STILL, THE  
MANAGER  
TO  
GRADUATE  
SOLUTION**



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SPECIAL CHAPTER

STORY OF LITTLE LUPIN: THIEF DOG GOES INTO THE END

# INUBAKA

Everybody's Crazy for Dogs!



From As-san in Iyogo Prefecture

**Mu-chan (Shiba)**

Huh! ㄟ( 〃 〃 〃 ) Look at the two look-alikes! It's adorable. Although born on the "Day for Cats," February 22, I guess he preferred playing around in the snow?

In a related Japanese song, the lyrics are "When snow falls, children's hearts go under blankets, while dogs like to play outside in the snow!" -Kobayashi

**Yukiya Sakuragi**

Not a snowman, but a snowdog! Even the shape of the eyes is similar. She sits like a very smart dog. Although I hear there may be some rivalry with the snowdog next door!

From Nishiyoshi-san  
in Saitama Prefecture

**Pudding-chan (Shiba)**

Pudding-chan loves the river. It was a hot day that day, so she looks so happy! It's like she's smiling. Surprisingly, she hates water that comes out of showers. Only Pudding knows the difference.

**Yukiya Sakuragi**

She really does look happy swimming! Having the taste of swimming in a river, maybe she's not willing to downgrade to shower water? I wonder...





From Miyuki-san in Kyoto

### ♪ Sara-chan (Jack Russell terrier)

It had been five years since the dog her owner grew up with was lost to a car accident. Sara entered her life, and that all changed. It was love at first sight. I hope you live a powerfully long life for the other doggy that went up to Heaven, Sara-chan.

### Yukiya Sakuragi

No matter how busy you get, your dog can always bring you some energy. I heard that the stamina of a Jack Russell terrier is incredible. I guess the best we can do is try to keep up with their energy level, right? (laugh)

From Ueda-san in Osaka

### ♪ Hiko Babu-kun into Lupi-kun

(Blonde cat & Pommeranian)

Babu-kun's proud of his beautiful white coat. Plus, he's a big cat lover and will dash after one in the middle of a walk. But because he's so shy, when his little brother Lupi-kun comes along to invite him to play, he shies away. But I'm sure eventually you'll play together a lot and cause all kinds of trouble for your owners, right, you two?



### Yukiya Sakuragi

When I saw this picture, they looked like Lupi and Gummy-chan to me. (laugh) They seem to have a relationship like my Bianca and Jett. At first my Bianca was completely powerless to his little brother Jett. I worried me at first, but now they like to get into wrestling matches. I hope they stay close friends.



Masahiro  
Miura



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Maruki



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